

News & Reviews

November 4, 2020

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

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SUPERVISOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2021 - PUBLIC HEARING TONIGHT

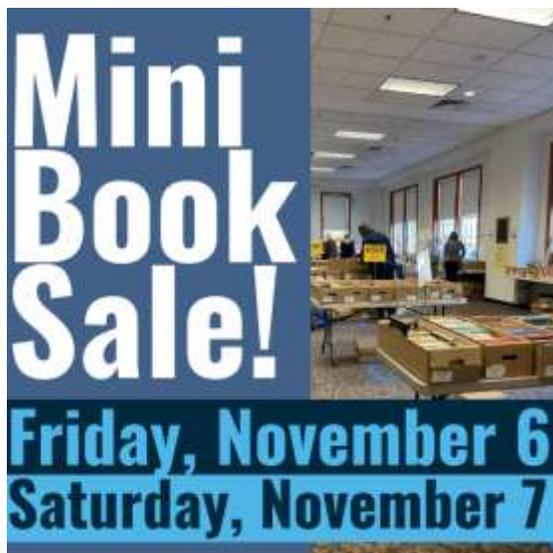
Despite COVID-19 financial challenges, proposed budget preserves 100% of Town services with only modest \$36/year increase to average household

A public hearing on the [Proposed 2021 Town Budget](#) will be held at the Town Board meeting tonight (Wednesday, November 4) at 6:00pm in the Fisher Meeting Room of the Pittsford Community Library (note location). This is an important opportunity for Pittsford residents to advise the Town Board and comment on the proposed budget. Residents are encouraged to attend.

Despite serious revenue decreases and increased costs brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, Supervisor Smith's proposed 2021 budget preserves 100% of existing Town services with a minimal \$36/year increase in Town tax for the average household. For details, see his [Proposed 2021 Budget Highlights](#) and his [Supervisor's Proposed 2021 Budget Memo](#). Both can also be found, along with the complete 2021 Budget documents, on the Town Budgets web page at www.townofpittsford.org/home-budgets. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.

2021 Town
**Budget
Public Hearing**
An opportunity for Pittsford residents to
advise the Town Board and comment on the
proposed budget
Wednesday, November 4
6:00pm
Pittsford Library, Fisher Meeting Room
24 State Street
Physical Distancing and Mask Required
ASL INTERPRETATION PROVIDED

As always, comments for the Town Board meeting may be submitted in advance (prior to 2:30pm on the day of the meeting) or made during the meeting both in person and by email. Emailed comments may be sent to comments@townofpittsford.org. All comments submitted must include the name and street address of the commenter.



FRIENDS OF PITTSFORD LIBRARY MINI BOOK SALE IS THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY, NOV. 6 & 7

The next [Friends of Pittsford Library mini book sale](#) is this Friday and Saturday, November 6 and 7 from 10:00am - 5:00pm in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room. **The sale is open to all!** To ensure enough time and space for all to safely browse, **physical distancing and mask wearing will be required**, the number of shoppers in the room at a time will be limited, and shopping time will be limited to 20 minutes per guest. While there will be

fewer tables, tables will be replenished throughout the sale so everyone has a chance to find some wonderful bookish buys. **Bags won't be available so please bring your own if you'd like.** All proceeds benefit our Pittsford Community Library!

PITTSFORD ROTARY FOOD DRIVE IS THIS SATURDAY, 11/7

Donations will go to Pittsford Food Cupboard to help neighbors in need

The [Rotary Club of Pittsford](#), in collaboration with the Town of Pittsford, will conduct a [drive-through packaged food drive](#) to benefit the Pittsford Food Cupboard this Saturday, November 7 from 9:00am to noon at Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. Rotarians will be collecting canned and other packaged foods, rain or shine. Click this link for a [list of current Food Cupboard needs](#). The Rotarians **also will be collecting new, unused teddy bears** at the drive. They will be donated to the Monroe County Sheriff's Department and area Emergency Medical Technicians to help soothe children caught in an emergency or traumatic situation.

Volunteers working will be taking COVID-19 precautionary measures, including wearing face coverings and gloves and maintaining safe distances. The Pittsford Food Cupboard is among the many organizations that benefit from Pittsford Rotary's mission of service to our community and beyond. Please help our Rotarians help those in need if you can. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue in the Village of Pittsford.

PITTSFORD LIBRARY “CONVERSATIONS ON RACE” THIS TUESDAY, 11/10

How can we most skillfully and productively discuss race with colleagues, friends, and family? Join us online this Tuesday, November 10, as the Pittsford Community Library presents “Conversations on Race” from 7:00 – 8:30pm via Zoom. The program will explore awareness of racial identity, segregation in our individual lives, practicing active listening skills, and finding ways to be more informed of racial privilege. Whole-group and small-group discussions will be paired with interactive activities. This evening of interactive and experiential learning opportunities will be presented by Kit Miller of the MK Gandhi Institute and Renée Frazier of the A La Renée Intrepreneurial Institute. Registration is required; a Zoom link will be sent the morning of the program. Sign up at www.bit.ly/pclcalendar to be a part of this thought-provoking learning opportunity on a critically important topic.



GUIDED HIKE NOVEMBER 14 FEATURES IRONDEQUOIT CREEK TRAILS

Pittsford Recreation's next guided trail hike is Saturday, November 14 and will explore the Irondequoit Creek Trails. The hike begins at 8:30am and is suitable for all ages; please dress for the weather. Participants will be contacted in advance with a meeting place and additional information, and will be provided with a trail map at the outset of the hike. A downloadable/printable map also is available in advance online at www.townofpittsford.org/trails_and_walkways. The hike is free but advance registration is required. You may [register online](#), use the registration link on the Recreation Department page of the Town website, or register in person at the Spiegel Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue.

STORIES AND SONGS WITH MRS. STEINBRENNER VIA ZOOM

Are your little ones missing the fun of story time at the Library? Join Mrs. Steinbrenner and all of your friends on Zoom each Monday morning at 10:00am for some wonderful stories and songs. The program is free but weekly registration is required to receive the appropriate Zoom link. To register, visit www.townofpittsford.org/home-library.

NEW DATE AND SCHEDULE FOR CANDLELIGHT NIGHT – FRIDAY, 11/27

The Pittsford Chamber of Commerce 49th annual Candlelight Night will be held on Friday, November 27 in Pittsford Village from 5:00 - 7:00pm. The event date and activities have been changed for this year but Candlelight Night will still celebrate the spirit of the season! The evening will feature:

- **Tree and business lighting at 5:00pm** to signify hope and the celebration of the holidays. **At the Four Corners** of Pittsford (Monroe and Main St.)
- **Tree lighting at the Port of Pittsford along the canal at 6:00pm.** Enjoy lighting from Schoen Place or at the Port

- Enjoy **carolers** at both tree lightings
- **Dine and shop** at businesses open that evening
- **Mask wearing and social distancing** is a requirement

Per the Pittsford Chamber of Commerce, all other traditional activities are placed on hold until restrictions are lifted. For more information visit www.facebook.com/PittsfordCandlelightNight or call 585-902-2297.

REMINDERS

TOWN BOARD MEETING TONIGHT - WEDNESDAY, 11/4

Meeting to be held in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room

Due to Election Day falling on Tuesday, November 3, the first Pittsford Town Board meeting for November will be held tonight (Wednesday, November 4). The meeting will take place at the Pittsford Community Library's Fisher Meeting Room (note location change), 24 State Street. The Town Board meeting agenda can be found on the [Agendas and Minutes page](#) of the Town website.

KING'S BEND PARK LODGE RESERVATION UNDERWAY ONLINE

Reservations for the Town's King's Bend Park lodges now will be made online beginning with the 2021 season. **Pittsford residents can reserve lodge dates** by visiting the Town website's Recreation Online Reservations web page at <https://webtrac.townofpittsford.org/wbwsc/webtrac.wsc/wbsplash.html>. The online lodge reservation process replaces the former lottery system format.

Online registration simplifies the lodge reservation process. [See our Reservation Instructions form here](#) for registration steps and how to log into your account or to create an account if you've never registered for a Town Recreation program before. Find lodge facilities details on our [Facilities Information web page](#).

Those who are unable to complete a reservation online may drop off or mail in a reservation request form. Please note payment is due at the time of the request. Any hard copy request (dropped off or mailed in) should indicate a first priority and second priority date. Forms dropped off or mailed in are not guaranteed to receive the requested date(s), as reservation requests require processing time.

In-person reservations will be accepted during regular office hours (Monday - Friday from 8:00am - 5:00pm). Any requests received outside of office hours will be processed on the next business day.

Lodge reservations for non-residents will begin on Monday, January 4, 2021, after 12:00pm.

TOWN BOARD MEETINGS ARE STREAMING LIVE

Pittsford Town Board meetings are now being streamed live; the feed is accessible on any device. Town Board is typically held the first and third Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm at Town Hall. See www.townofpittsford.org/calendar for meeting dates. To view the livestream, click the [Town Board Meeting live streaming link](#) when the meeting begins. This link can also be found on page two of the meeting agenda. The meeting agenda is posted on the Town's [minutes and agendas page](#) at least two days prior to the meeting. Please note: if you try to log in too early (before the meeting feed is live) you will see an error message; refresh your screen just prior to or at 6:00pm when the board meeting starts and you will be able to view the meeting. As always, ASL interpretation is provided for every Town Board meeting.

ASL INTERPRETER ALWAYS AVAILABLE AT TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

The Town of Pittsford has an American Sign Language interpreter available at every Pittsford Town Board meeting, to interpret for those who need this service. Those who can't attend a Town Board meeting in person but are planning to watch the meeting's live stream can confirm their need for the interpreter by emailing comments@townofpittsford.org. Requests can be made in advance or can be emailed through the first ten minutes of the meeting. An on-demand Town Board meeting video with closed captioning will be available within 48 hours of the meeting; visit www.townofpittsford.org/home-channel12 and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- [Friends of Pittsford Library mini book sale](#), Friday and Saturday, November 6 & 7, 10:00am – 5:00pm, Fisher Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street, sale is open to all; please note to ensure enough time and space to safely browse, physical distancing and mask wearing required, the number of shoppers in the room at a time will be limited, shopping time will be limited to 20 minutes per guest, bags not available – please bring your own.
- [Pittsford Rotary Food Drive](#), Saturday, 11/7, 9:00am - 12noon, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; canned and other packaged goods needed, see list of [Food Cupboard needs here](#).
- [Pittsford Chamber of Commerce Candlelight Night](#) - **REVISED DATE** - Friday, 11/27, 5:00 - 7:00pm, Pittsford Village; tree lightings 5:00pm (Four Corners) and 6:00pm (Port of Pittsford), carolers, dining and shopping at local businesses. Physical distancing and mask use required; for more information visit www.pittsfordchamber.org, www.facebook.com/PittsfordCandlelightNight, or call (585) 902-2297

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Town Board**, Wednesday, 11/4, 6:00pm, Pittsford Community Library, Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street – **NOTE DAY and LOCATION**, ASL interpretation provided, COVID-19 mask use and physical distancing protocols required; MEETING ALSO WILL BE LIVE STREAMED, information

for accessing and viewing the meeting can be found on page 2 of the meeting agenda; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/home-minutes

- **Planning Board**, Monday, 11/9, 7:00pm, ONLINE ACCESS via Zoom video conferencing; information for accessing and viewing the meeting can be found on page 2 of the meeting agenda; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/home-minutes

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Board of Education](#) meeting, Monday, 11/9, 7:00pm, Barker Road Middle School Board Room, 75 Barker Road
- [Village Board of Trustees meeting](#), Tuesday, 11/10, 6:30pm, virtual meeting through videoconferencing; more information and participation registration details will be listed on the Village website [here](#) as the meeting date approaches
- [American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899](#) **TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements. Eligible veterans welcome to join the Post; for [membership information](#) visit the [Rayson-Miller Post website](#)
- [Pittsford Rotary Club](#), **WEEKLY IN-PERSON MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements; check the Pittsford Rotary Facebook page for virtual meeting information.
- [Pittsford Art Group](#) **MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements. For further information, contact PAG president [Margie Mitchell](#)

Town Facility Closures

Spiegel Pittsford Community Center - building is open 8:00am - 5:00pm Monday through Friday and open during program hours evenings and weekends. Senior "Grab N Go" meals will continue every Wednesday and "Curbside Lunch" by Chef Julie is offered every Friday; pickup for both programs is at the bus loop behind the Community Center. Registration for low-risk activities and virtual programs begins in advance of each session. See Program Info & Registration link at www.townofpittsford.org/home-recreation. Programs will continue to open as we receive further guidance.

Pittsford Community Library - the Library is now open for limited hours and services; enter from the parking lot entrance. The Library also has many online resources, programs and activities for all ages to enjoy. For current Library hours, services, resources, and other updates, visit the Library's update page at www.bit.ly/pclupdates. For virtual children's programming check the Library's Facebook page www.facebook.com/PittsfordLibrary/. The Book Drop return area is

open; please only deposit returned books; for information on book sale donations visit www.pittsfordlibraryfriends.com. Regular due dates for all materials have resumed; check your receipt or your Library account for exact due dates. Low contact pickup of Library materials is available for Monroe County Library System cardholders.

Town Hall is open to residents by appointment only; in-person meetings will be limited and allowed only when absolutely necessary. Calls should be made to the department related to the inquiry. Town Hall remains staffed to handle business online and by mail, phone, email and the "drop slot" to the right of the front door of Town Hall.

Town Clerk: All services of the Town Clerk are available online, by mail, phone and email. If necessary, an appointment can be arranged. Contact at 248-6214 or ldillon@townofpittsford.org, mail materials to Pittsford Town Clerk's Office, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford NY 14534. Services info at www.townofpittsford.org/home-clerk.

Town Court: Pittsford Town Court sessions are being scheduled on a limited basis. Town Court staff are available via phone and email Monday - Friday from 9:00am - 5:00pm; call (585) 248-6238 or email at pdromgoole@townofpittsford.org. Visitors must follow appropriate health safety and social distancing requirements for Court appearances and Court Office visits.

All Town Playgrounds: residents may use Town playgrounds at their own risk, as it is not possible for the Town to keep equipment appropriately sanitized after every use. Those using Town playgrounds are expected to observe COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols.

All Town Parks: all Town parks are open; all courts are open, all athletic fields are open to groups of 25 individuals or less, and all trails and walkways are accessible. Those using Town parks are expected to observe COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols.

Thornell Farm Park: the park is open and per State requirements, all grass and turf sports fields are open to group activities of 25 individuals or less; the tennis courts, trails, walkways and the playground are open to residents. COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols are required.

King's Bend Park Lodges: the lodges are open for reservations; per State and Federal governments all COVID-19 safety guidelines must be followed while at the lodges. Lodge capacities will adhere to New York State COVID-19 guidelines. Please note COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols are required.

The Mile Post School: the building is closed to the public until further notice, as the site is being used as a Public Works crew operation center.

Building Department: As of May 15, 2020 the Governor has begun the phased reopening of New York State. The Town of Pittsford and the surrounding Finger Lakes region have met the criteria set by the Governor to reopen. Construction is included in

Phase 1 of the reopening plan. As construction moves forward, all COVID-19 safety guidelines set by the State and Federal governments must be followed while on the job site. To protect the community and limit the spread of COVID-19, the Town of Pittsford has altered accordingly its inspection and permitting procedures. See the Town of Pittsford COVID-19 Building Inspection Procedures for details; additional information can be found here: [New York State Construction Guidelines](#). For more information contact Town of Pittsford Building Inspector Mark Lenzi at mLenzi@townofpittsford.org or call the Town Building Department at 585-248-6265.

Town Public Works - Highway, Sewer and Parks Departments: All operations continue. Crews in these departments are following hygiene and social distancing protocols in light of the COVID-19 threat.

Monroe County Services at Town facilities:

The County has suspended until further notice Passport Services at Town Hall and Mobile DMV service at Pittsford Town Court. Per the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles, all driver licenses, learner permits, non-driver identification cards, vehicle registrations and vehicle inspections scheduled to expire on or after March 1, 2020 are extended until further notice and all temporary registration documents are valid until further notice. This extension does NOT apply to insurance coverage - motor vehicle liability insurance coverage must be maintained at all times during the extension period. Find updated information for Monroe County DMV here <https://www2.monroecounty.gov/clerk-COVID-19>.

Further information and updates can be found at www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info.

COVID-19 Coronavirus Information Links

Further Town of Pittsford COVID-19 coronavirus information and updates can be found at www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info.

[Pittsford Central School District COVID-19 Coronavirus Updates](#)

You can find information on COVID-19 coronavirus at the County Health Department's website: <https://www2.monroecounty.gov/health-index.php>.

Additional information about business closure requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: www.monroecounty.gov

The CDC also has information on its website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/share-facts-stop-fear.html>.

In addition, the CDC has information relevant to anyone planning to travel outside of the United States: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html?deliveryName=USCDC_2067-DM20785.

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